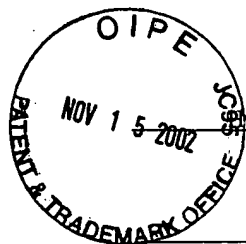


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Dear Sir:

In compliance with the duty of disclosure set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, Applicants wish to bring the following items to the attention of the Examiner. A copy of each document is enclosed for the convenience of the Examiner.

- 1) Mathison, U. S. Design Patent No. D372,358, issued August 6, 1996;
- 2) Neal, Jr., Design Patent No. D396,882, issued August 11, 1998;

- 3) Morgante, U. S. Design Patent No. D436, 991, issued January 30, 2001;
- 4) Graham, Jr. et al., U.S. Patent No. 6,402,028, issued June 11, 2002;
- 5) Pentz, U.S. Design Patent No. D462,965 S, issued September 17, 2002; and
- 6) Pentz et al., Design U.S. Patent No. D462,966 S, issued September 17, 2002.
- 7) Davis et al., U.S. Patent No. 6,402,028, issued June 11, 2002.
- 8) Pentz et al., U.S. Patent No. 6,471,127 B2, issued October 29, 2002.

The International Search Report (ISR) concerning counterpart international application number PCT/US02/22933 cites the following documents:

- 9) German Published Patent Application DE 298 02 638 U1 (Thomas Pohl)
published June 10, 1998 (with translation);
- 10) German Published Patent Application DE 298 12 046 U1 (Rolf B rger)
published November 26, 1998 (with translation);
- 11) Wolfgang Rankl, "Handbuch Der Chipkarten: Aufbau, USW", Handbuch Der
Chipkarten, Aufbau-Funktionsweise - Einsatz Von Smart Cards, Muenchen:
Carl Hanser Verlag, DE, 1999, pages 44-47, 56-61, 68-71 (with translation);
- 12) Japanese Published Unexamined Patent Application (A) 2000-113136
(ADAMUSU: KK) published April 21, 2000 (with translation);
- 13) French Published Patent Application FR 2 794 059 (GEMPLUS CARD INT),
published December 1, 2000 (with translation);
- 14) European Published Patent Application EP 1 221 518 A2 (ACTARIS UK LTD),
published July 10, 2002; and
- 15) International Bureau Published Application WO 02/067190 A2 (BANK OF
AMERICA CORPORATION), published on August 29, 2002.

Concise Explanation of the Relevance of Several of the Cited References

While the applicants request that the Examiner consider all of the art cited herein, the applicants direct the Examiner's specific attention to the following portions of the above-identified references:

Davis U.S. Patent No. 6,298,336, at col. 3, lines 37-40 and col. 4, lines 17-20, describes a smaller form of the card for use as an attachment to a key chain, which can include a magnetic stripe for traditional magnetic stripe reader devices.

Graham U.S. Patent No. 6,402,028, at col. 1, lines 23-24 and col. 2, lines 5-7, describes a smaller form of the card for use as an attachment to a key chain, which can include a magnetic stripe for traditional magnetic stripe reader devices.

Japanese Publication No. 200-113,136, discloses a small sized card for a key chain.

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